

Amendments to the Specification:

On page 1, please delete the single-line paragraph appearing on line 22 in its entirety.

~~The object of the invention is achieved by claims 1, 7, and 11.~~

On page 9, after the last line of the paragraph ending on line 8, please add the following new paragraph:

The invention has been described with reference to the preferred embodiments. Modifications and alterations may occur to others upon reading and understanding the preceding detailed description. It is intended that the invention be constructed as including all such modifications and alterations insofar as they come within the scope of the appended claims or the equivalents thereof.